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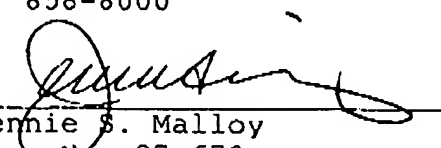
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REMARKS

This paper is submitted in response to the Examiner's Action dated April 21, 2005. As the Examiner has noted, Applicant submitted on January 13, 2005 a response to the first Office Action dated December 13, 2004, and therein, elected claims 14 through 25 as Group II of the invention. However, it seems that reply inadvertently failed to identify the species elected which relate thereto, including a listing of all claims readable thereon. It is noted, of course, that new claims 26-41 were added in that response, which were indicated to correspond generally to the species shown in Figures 13-16, noted by the Examiner as embodiment iii.